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AMERICA TO CONTROL ALL FOOD OF ALLIES

War Councils Crystallizing Into Big Campaign to Feed Entente.

U. S. TO NAME HEAD

Federal Investigators Say Prices Are Being Hiked Without Cause.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 26.—That some American, possibly Herbert Hoover or Secretary of Labor Wilson, within the next few months will become food dictator of the world, was indicated by developments of the international war conference of the Allies this afternoon.

More and more the war councils are crystallizing into a monumental campaign to feed the Allies. Finance and shipping problems are coming to be considered comparatively collateral, although, of course, vital.

America to Control Absolutely.

It was taken for granted today that it would be the policy of the Allies, after America has made her preliminary contributions to entrust the United States with absolute control of the food phases of the war. This will mean that one man or a small group of men will be named by President Wilson to dominate absolutely the production and distribution of all food in the United States, England, France, Italy, Russia, Cuba and other Allied countries.

It is deemed probable that this step will involve the formation of an international food commission, comprised of a dictator-general for each nation, with the American dictator at the head of the commission.

Domination of war divisions, other than food, may be allowed to the United States, but food will be the most important. The real crux of the conference going on here today is the international reorganization of the war, since the United States is in, much on the same principles that an army of field fighters is organized, one branch handling the commissary department, another mobilization and transportation and still another the collection and distributing of munitions and the like.

Jeffre Walks in Washington.

Former Premier Vivian, Marshal Jeffre and Admiral Chocheat called on President Wilson at the White House during the morning. The French representatives were with the President but a few moments. They then called on Vice-President Marshall and Secretary Lansing. Marshal Jeffre left on foot for the War Department to talk with American army officers.

NO CAUSE FOR PRESENT PRICES

Commission Says More Products Must Be Sent Direct to Consumers.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 26.—Results of the first Congressional authorization and paid for price investigation resulting from recent soaring of prices throughout the nation, were reported today.

The conclusions reached were that "there is no ground for such high prices of many products as are demanded of the consumer at this time." The report recommends that there is urgent need in this country for the organization of comprehensive marketing machinery which will put producing and consuming communities in trading relations with each other and make possible the sending of perishable products directly from the point of production to the point of consumption.

Municipal wholesale markets are also recommended. The investigation was conducted in the nation's capital. Some sensational disclosures were laid before Congress in the report, which says that similar conditions undoubtedly exist in other cities of the country. Conditions unearthed here may also be taken as a criterion of what the Federal Trade Commission may find in its nationwide investigation. The investigation found:

That reports of food shortage were misleading; that prices in many cities were unusually high; that the sale of the cuts of meat appeared to have been discontinued; that the consumer has been exhibiting more frugality than ever before; that shipments of food stuffs were abnormal; that the food supplies had normally depleted; that the element of speculation in food products had been one of the most potent factors in the increase of prices; that shipments of food stuffs

THE CALENDAR

April 26.—The Columbia High School will give "The Pennant" at 8 o'clock in the Christian College Auditorium.
April 28.—Annual German Club play, "Doktor Wespe," 8:15 o'clock, University Auditorium.
April 30.—The Mary Arden Dramatic Club of Christian College will present a dramatization of Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice," at 8 o'clock Christian College Auditorium.
April 30.—C. L. Brewer will talk at 7:30 o'clock Monday night at the Elementary School on the Playground Movement.
May 1.—Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra Concert under the auspices of Phi Mu Alpha, 8 o'clock, University Auditorium.
May 5.—Fourteenth Annual High School Day.
May 11.—Eight Annual Journalism Week.
May 15.—The University Players will give "The Importance of Being Earnest."

to belligerents had not affected the prices of potatoes, eggs and onions, but that prices on these commodities soared with prices of other food.

\$100,000,000 Loan to Go to Farmers.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 26.—To aid the farmer of the nation in meeting the food situation, the Government today took steps to throw resources approximating \$100,000,000 into the breach.

This action was announced by the Treasury Department today. All postal savings deposits will be made immediately available for loans to farmers.

HAIG HOLDS POSITIONS

Germans Repulsed in Counter-Attack and Night Effort Near Gavrelle.

By United Press
LONDON, April 26.—Complete repulse of a violent, massed counter-attack by German forces against new British positions around Gavrelle was announced in Field Marshal Haig's official statement today.

"Early at night the enemy again endeavored to attack in the new position at Gavrelle," he said. "Their troops were caught in our artillery barrage and completely repulsed."

Germans Repulsed Near Cerny.

By United Press
PARIS, April 26.—The two tremendous German attacks made on a front of more than a mile and a half west of Cerny smashed unavailing against French lines and were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy, today's official statement said.

Powerful German attacks on two other places on the French front lines were repulsed.

MRS. M. E. MCGUIRE, 82, IS DEAD

The Rev. T. W. Young Will Conduct Funeral Services at Residence.
Mrs. Martha Elen McGuire died at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her home, 1105 Hinkson avenue. The Rev. T. W. Young, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will conduct the funeral service at the McGuire residence. Burial will be at the Prairie Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. McGuire was 82 years old and was born in Orange County, Va., March 25, 1835. She was the daughter of Daniel Hard. At the age of 19 she married William S. Long. Of this marriage four children were born. After the death of Mr. Long in 1865 she married Joseph A. McGuire. Four children were born of this marriage.

KING-DYSART WEDDING TODAY

Bride's Mother Will Give Formal Wedding Banquet for Couple.

Miss Mary Elizabeth King and William P. Dysart, Jr., were married this at 5 o'clock this afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John King, one mile north of Columbia. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. M. A. Hart. Mr. Dysart is a son of Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Dysart, 1502 Broadway, and was graduated from the College of Agriculture last year. Mrs. M. P. Dysart, Sr., will give a formal wedding dinner for the bride and groom at 7 o'clock tonight at her home.

H. Smith is 2nd Lieutenant of Co. F. Horace C. Smith was elected second lieutenant of Company F last night. Mr. Smith is connected with the Columbia Insurance and Rental Agency. He was formerly company clerk of Company F.

Canning Demonstration Planned.

Miss Louise Stanley of the department of home economics of the University will give a public demonstration on canning of rhubarb and asparagus at 4 p. m., Friday, April 27, in Room 22, Schweitzer Hall.

WITH THE FOURTH ESTATE: JOURNALISM WEEK COMING

(While many details are yet to be arranged, the program for the meetings of Journalism Week is practically complete. Those who have accepted invitations to speak thus far will be given in a series of articles in the Missourian.)

Each year a larger number of organizations of newspaper men and women arrange to hold meetings at the University of Missouri during Journalism Week. The sessions of the Missouri Women's Press Association, of which Mrs. Mary Alice Kimball Godfrey is president, will be held Tuesday. The members will hear a program especially arranged for them, and following the talks and discussions there will be a business session and the annual election of officers.

The Missouri Association of Afternoon Dailies will meet Wednesday. E. E. Swain of the Kirksville Express is president of this association. Mitchell White of the Mexico Ledger is vice-president and J. B. Powell, formerly of the School of Journalism is secretary. Mr. Powell's work as secretary is being carried on by Howard Hailey of the School of Journalism. This association was formed about four years ago with a view of obtaining co-operation among the publishers of afternoon dailies in the promotion of advertising and foreign news service.

The session of the Associated Advertising Clubs of Missouri will be held Thursday. This organization is affiliated with the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World. A. C. McGinty of the McGinty Brothers Clothing Company of Neosho is president. The other officers are: Vice-president, W. S. Donaldson, National Printing and Engraving Company, St. Louis; secretary, J. B. Powell; treasurer, R. B. Teacher of the Teacher and Bartberger Engraving Company of Kansas City; directors: Mr. McGinty, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Powell, Mr. Teacher, J. Ed Black of the Springfield

Ad Club, J. E. MacKesson of the Lebanon Ad Club and O. N. Ginrich of the Maryville Ad Club. The organization was formed in 1915 at a meeting held during Journalism Week. Its purpose is to promote better advertising and business conditions and to encourage a better feeling of fellowship among the business men of the state.

Meetings of the Intercollegiate Press Association will also be held Wednesday. This association is composed of editors and members of the staffs of college publications in Missouri. Frank H. Hedges of the Drury College Mirror, is president.

A new organization, to be composed of editors and writers of the high school publications of the state, is to be formed here this year. G. F. Fine of the High Times, Springfield, is interested in the association and will try to get as many high school editors here as possible. With L. H. Ragedale, editor of the same paper, he is now urging all of the high schools to send delegates.

The largest of the associations to meet during the week is the Missouri Press Association. This association holds two meetings a year and one of these is always during Journalism Week. A large majority of the members attend all of the meetings, remaining throughout the week. The formal sessions, however, will be held Thursday and Friday. The association has a membership of more than 200. H. J. Blanton of the Paris Appeal is president; B. Ray Franklin of the Russellville Rustler, corresponding secretary; J. N. Stonebaker of the Carrollton Republican-Record, recording secretary; Bernard Finn of the Sarcoxie Record, W. C. Price of the Princeton Post and Sam W. Davis of the Butler Democrat, vice-presidents; Lewis W. Moore of the Hume Border Telephone, treasurer.

WOULD END EMPIRE

German Committee in Switzerland Starts Move to Establish Republic.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 26.—What may prove to be an important move to sweep aside the Hohenzollerns and replace them with a German republic was reported officially to the State Department today from several sources. According to a message to the Secretary of State from Minister Stovall at Berne, a movement has been started in Switzerland by a committee of Germans to spread the propaganda of republicanism and democracy.

Dr. Roese Meyer, former editor of the Berlin Morgen-Post, is the leader of the propaganda. The advocates of a German republic have already established a paper, known as the Freie Zeitung, to further their doctrine in the Fatherland.

BROWNS WILL MEET HANNIBAL

Three-I League Exhibition Games to Be Played on Rollins Field.

The Hannibal team of the Three-I League will play two exhibition games on Rollins Field with the Columbia Browns tomorrow and Saturday afternoons. The games were first scheduled to be played on the diamond at the fairgrounds, but the change was made as soon as the Varsity field became available, although the contests already had been posted for the Fairgrounds Park. The larger seating capacity of the Varsity field and the better condition of the diamond was the reason for the change.

The Hannibal team will play in Moberly Sunday after the games here. The Mules will present their regular line-up against the Browns, Manager George Taylor said today. The Browns have been working out daily this week with the Tigers, and are said to be in good condition.

WAS GLAD NO ONE WAS IN CAR

Mrs. W. T. Stephenson Didn't Want to Cause Trouble for Joy Riders.

"I'm glad no one was in the car when the police found it," said Mrs. W. T. Stephenson today when asked about the theft of her car, which was taken last night from in front of the Columbia Theater. "I would not want to cause anyone trouble over it, although I was worried at first. Joy riding, you know, is a felony," she added.

The car was found about midnight on Hitt street, where it had been deserted. The car was undamaged.

TO OBSERVE "BACK-YARD DAY"

Citizens May Show Patriotism by Cleaning Up Yards and Sheds.

Tomorrow will be "Back-Yard Day." "If the people of Columbia are truly patriotic not only will flags wave in their front yards, but the dirt will fly in the back yards," Mrs. W. E. Harshe said today. "The chief problems to be considered in the care of our back yards are those of dirt and refuse, rats, flies and mosquitoes. Burn all trash that you can and put the rest in sacks or boxes for the wagons to carry away; then clean up your barn and chicken houses; sprinkle borax in these places to keep away the ants and to disinfect."

"To be really sanitary," Mrs. Harshe continued, "the inside walls of these buildings should be whitewashed with a lime wash that may be obtained at the lumber yards, or with whitewash mixed with a little carbolic acid. Small quantities of kerosene poured in damp spots will prevent the breeding of mosquitoes. To make your back yards not only clean but beautiful do not forget the gardens; plant flowers and shrubbery wherever possible. Remember always that filth brings diseases, which perfect cleanliness and beauty may go a long way toward preventing."

JUMPER LEAPS INTO MATRIMONY

A. Flem Baker, Tiger Athlete, and Miss Grace Cooper Wed Today.

A. Flem Baker, Tiger high jumper, made a matrimonial leap this morning when he and Miss Grace Cooper were quietly married by the Rev. C. C. Grimes at the minister's home. The couple had kept their plans secret from many of their closest friends, and members of the Acadia fraternity, of which Mr. Baker is a member, first heard of the marriage from a negro baggageman, when he called for Mr. Baker's trunk.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. N. W. Cooper, 1209 Paquin, and has been a music student at Stephens and Christian colleges. Mr. Baker has been a student in the College of Agriculture four years, taking part in football and track. He will receive the degree of B. S. in Agr. in June, but will begin work as county agent of Warren County, Ky., next week. Mr. and Mrs. Baker left immediately after the ceremony for Kansas City and will spend a few days there and at Mr. Baker's home, near Platte City.

Divorce for Mrs. T. F. Ridgeway.

In the divorce case of Thomas F. against Sabia E. Ridgeway in the Circuit Court today, the defendant was given the care of the children on her cross bill. Mrs. Ridgeway was awarded \$35 a month for support.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Increasing cloudiness followed by showers tonight and Friday, slightly warmer tonight.

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Weather Conditions.
A low pressure system is passing eastward down the Lakes and St. Lawrence Valley, attended by rather stormy, rainy weather. Another of widespread scope is advancing eastward across the southern Rocky Mountain slope. Its influence already having reached western Kansas where rain has set in.

In between the two low pressures, there is a wedge-shaped high pressure wave, which is drifting slowly eastward; it is accompanied by cool weather and during its journey last night it caused frost in exposed places in Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and eastern Kansas.

In Columbia showery conditions will likely begin sometime tonight continuing over Friday; temperatures, however, will be somewhat milder than during the past twenty-four hours.

Local Data.
The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 61 and the lowest last night was 35; precipitation 0.00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday 41 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 57 and the lowest 44; precipitation 0.07 inch.

The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	39	11 a. m.	49
8 a. m.	43	12 (noon)	51
9 a. m.	45	1 p. m.	52
10 a. m.	47	2 p. m.	52

EXPECTS COAL FAMINE

J. W. Schwabe Would Interest Capitalists in Working Mines Around Columbia.

In the belief that Columbia would face a coal famine next winter more serious than that experienced by the city last winter, J. W. Schwabe recommended to the Commercial Club at its weekly luncheon today that a committee be appointed to interest local capitalists in working the mines which lie around Columbia. Mr. Schwabe predicted that coal would sell for 20 or 25 cents a bushel next winter when it usually sells for 13 cents.

As an explanation for this high price, Mr. Schwabe said that the English government had contracted with the operators in the eastern coal belts, from whom Columbia gets most of its supply, for five years, and that the these demands and the demands of Eastern mines were unable to supply the Western states too. Columbia has many mines which could be worked at a profit," Mr. Schwabe said. E. C. Anderson, president of the Commercial Club, will appoint the committee later.

Dr. J. B. Cole spoke before the club on the lack of patriotism that Columbia has been displaying. Doctor Cole said it was almost impossible for the city to rent a garden near town for the municipal plot as the owners were unwilling to forego the profits which they might make.

A letter from James Houchin, president of the Missouri Federation of Commercial Clubs was read. Mr. Houchin urges that the Commercial Club or the city hold a mass meeting to interest people, particularly the farmers, in planting a greater acreage and using better seed so that a larger crop might be raised this year. He also asked that the bankers help the farmers by giving easier credit so that some of the bottom lands, which have usually laid idle because the farmers were unwilling to risk an over-farm, might be planted this year. No action was taken for the calling of such a mass meeting.

MRS. W. E. MEANWELL IS DEAD

Wife of New M. U. Director of Athletics Succumbs in Madison, Wis.

Mrs. W. E. Meanwell, wife of Missouri's new director of athletics, was found dead at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by her husband, in the bathroom at their home at Madison, Wis. A post-mortem examination showed that death was caused by hardening of the heart blood vessels. Mrs. Meanwell's former home was at Newark, N. J. Mr. Meanwell is now a member of the physical training faculty of the University of Wisconsin. He expected to visit the University of Missouri next week before taking up his duties next fall.

Debaters Will Argue Conscription.

"Resolved, that the plan of selective conscription as before Congress at this time is a desirable measure" is to be the subject of a debate between members of the Athenaeum and M. S. U. debating societies at the Missouri Union at 7:30 o'clock Friday night. The debate will be open to the public. L. H. Potter of the Athenaeum and John Kiersey of the M. S. U. societies will uphold the affirmative side of the question, while Glenn Young of the Athenaeum and Harry Hickman of the M. S. U. will take the negative stand.

ARMY DRAFT BILL UP IN HOUSE TOMORROW

Long Debate About Method of Raising Soldiers to End Tonight.

SENATE STILL LAGS

Action by Representatives Expected to Spur Slow Upper Body Along.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 26.—The House will act on the Army Bill tomorrow. Conscription seems certain to win.

The long-drawn-out debate on the question of raising 2,000,000 men by draft or volunteering will end tonight. This was decided upon today by unanimous consent, immediately after the House convened. By agreement, the House is to continue to talk as long as it can stand it today and tonight.

Then tomorrow, Chairman Dent, of the Military Committee, who opposed the President's draft bill, and Representative Kahn of California, Republican member of the same committee, who is leading the President's fight, will conclude the argument.

The action is expected to speed the Senate, which started five days of conversation today. Voting in the upper house may come Saturday.

The Senate will vote on the bill late Saturday. The House's action speeded up the Senate. Shortly after the unanimous agreement was reached in the House the Senate acted similarly, agreeing to vote before midnight Saturday.

Pyrotechnics started early in the House. Representative Mason of Illinois demanding that the Colonel Roosevelt be permitted to raise an army for immediate service in France, declared that the President has not the "political sagacity" to give his consent to the colonel's plans. From the floor and gallery instantly came an almost deafening hissing which lasted several moments. "The man in the White House," Mason said, "has not the courage to permit Roosevelt to enlist for fear he will profit politically." Then the hissing started.

Mason bitterly attacked the General Staff Selective Draft Bill.

FAILS TO GET PLOT FOR GARDEN

City Unable to Rent Land North of Town—South Tract Being Cleared.

The 12-acre plot of land north of town could not be obtained for the municipal garden, J. E. Barnett of the City Council, who was to have had charge of this garden, said today. No other piece of ground has been definitely decided upon. "The only question now is to get the land," said Mr. Barnett. "Holders of land apparently wish to take advantage of the city's plans, for exorbitant rents, \$20 and \$25 an acre are being asked, while \$10 ordinarily is a good rate."

The clearing of the other plot near the Katy tracks a mile and a half south of town is progressing well. The seven prisoners who are working on it, have cleared an acre and a half of the land. W. D. Shaw, councilman, who has had charge of this plot, says about three acres will be used this year. He thinks it will be possible to plant corn next week. The other seeds, sweet potatoes, turnips and carrots, will be planted later, when there is no more danger of frost.

More of the 18-acre plot, which is owned by the city, will be cleared during the winter for use next year. About twelve acres of corn will be planted, Mr. Barnett says, when the committee succeeds in renting a piece of ground. Beans will also be planted. Pumpkin and squash seeds will be planted between the rows of corn.

FARMERS' MEETINGS REPORTED

Agricultural Authorities Receive Word of Schoolhouse Sessions.

Today's mail received by A. J. Meyer of the agricultural extension division contained the first reports of the farmers' food rallies held simultaneously over the state last Tuesday night. Reports of meetings in 1,000 school districts of seventy-three counties were received. Complete reports will not be in for several days. There are 10,000 districts. Bad weather prevailed in many districts and meetings will be held later.

Dean McCaustland Attends Funeral.

Dean E. J. McCaustland went to St. Louis yesterday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. E. D. Smith.